## INVITATION FOR CONSULTANT SERVICES

Public Notice for Professional Consultants Colorado Department of Transportation CDOT Region 2 Project Specific: Preliminary and Final Design Services Project # STA 025A-018 (19195) I-25 Corridor MP 94 to MP 104.5 "Optional Interview"

The Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) intends to hire one (1) Professional Consultant for this Project. The selected Consultant will contract to provide project specific consultant services to include those specific services set forth below.

**DESCRIPTION:** Consultant services will consist of engineering design services related to the section of I-25, which runs through a community consisting entirely of business and commercial enterprises, is congested under current traffic conditions and is projected to get much more congested in the future. One of the main conclusions of the I-25 Environmental Assessment completed in August 15, 2013 was to address significant geometric deficiencies throughout I-25, reconfigure interchanges and possibly include an additional through travel lane in each direction. Therefore the goal of the design is to increase capacity, improve safety, improve aesthetics, and provide excellent access for customers to all the existing and future businesses along this section of I-25.

Project Location: This project is located on I-25 from M.P. 94 to M.P. 104.5, in City of Pueblo, CO

The major work elements are:

<u>Project management</u>: Scoping, Scheduling, Public Involvement, Coordination with major entities (CDOT, City of Pueblo, Pueblo County, PACOG, FHWA, Utility Companies, etc.), Grant Writing assistance <u>Right of Way/Surveying</u>: Aerial Survey, Field Survey, Ownership Mapping, Right of Way plans (including contracting and obtaining title services if needed)

<u>Environmental</u>: Reevaluation preparation and signature (including all necessary work to obtain clearances) <u>Design</u>: Roadway, Bridge, Drainage, Landscaping, Irrigation, Maintenance of Traffic, Signing and Striping (including production of PS&E and/or Design-Build RFP packages, Value Engineering Studies, Constructability Reviews, and Design Services during Construction)

The Consultant will provide specialty engineering support as part of a blended team effort.

This Project-specific contract work will be done on an "as needed" basis. The term "as needed" means neither CDOT nor the consultant has an obligation under the contract unless and until a task order is issued. Contracts resulting from the Invitation for Consultant Services are considered a "pricing agreement". CDOT anticipates that the compensation format on this contract will be "cost plus fixed fee," subject to further review by CDOT. Execution of the contract will be subject to the bid award for the above-mentioned construction project.

Note: For all agreements that include final design services:

- 1. For Design-Bid-Build project, if the prime or sub consultant participate in more than 30% (of design costs) in the final design portion of the contract, they shall not be able to compete for construction administration and engineering services for the owner on the same project for which they are providing final design services.
- 2. For Design-Build project, if the prime or sub consultant participate in the creation of the RFQ, RFP, Books 1-5, and/or the procurement, short listing, BAFO, or award processes:
  - a. They shall not be able to participate as one of the Design-Build teams competing for the construction award of the project.
  - b. They may be eligible to perform construction administration and engineering services for the owner, if CDOT deems it appropriate.

- c. If a prime recuses itself during the RFQ, RFP, and procurement phases of a DB project then its sub consultants are automatically recused also for this contract. Sub consultants still wanting to be involved with the DB project would have to provide their services through a separate contract event.
- 3. Prime or sub consultants who perform preliminary design (up-to FIR for DBB and up-to RFQ for DB) and environmental services (phase 1 and ISA for example) may continue with, or compete for, final design services.

**SPECIAL PROJECT REQUIREMENT:** All work is to be performed under the direction and supervision, appropriate to the task, of a Colorado-Licensed Professional Engineer, a Colorado-Licensed Professional Land Surveyor for Surveying services, a Colorado-Licensed Landscape Architect, a Certified Industrial Hygienist, or, as appropriate, any combination of the foregoing.

## **Interested Consultants:**

The prime firm of each team must be on CDOT's list of prequalified consultants by **November 3, 2016.** Prequalification must be done annually. Consultants who are not prequalified or who have questions regarding their prequalification should immediately contact Peter Abvenake, Agreements at telephone (303) 757-9583.

For the Capacity factor included in the Statement of Interest portion of the consultant's submittal, and described in the SOI/WP Preparation Instructions for Consultants, the prime firm must show, for the prime firm or any member of its team, capacity in the following disciplines:

CE – Civil Engineering; GE – Geotechnical Engineering HD – Highway and Street Design; HY - Hydraulics: LA Landscape Architecture; SE – Structural Engineering; SU – Surveying TR – Traffic Engineering

• Submit 1 (one) Electronic copy via the CDOT RFX Vendor Portal OR Submit Five (5) hard copies of the Statement of Interest/Work Plan no later than 12:00 noon local time, Thursday November 10, 2016 Attn: David Wells, Contracting Officer 4201 E. Arkansas Ave. Suite 200 Denver, CO 80222

The Advertisement along with the Notice to Consultants, Scope of Work (Staffing Requirements), Instructions to Proposers and the Key Event Schedule are available and *must be obtained from* the CDOT "Consultant Management" website address: https://www.codot.gov/business/consultants/advertised-projects/2016

• UDBE GOAL: 10%

CDOT assumes no obligation of any kind for expenses incurred by any respondent to this solicitation. The right is also reserved by CDOT to reject any and all submittals.

Statements of interest/work plans received after the time and date specified will be rejected. The statement of interest/work plan must comply with CDOT's standardized format requirements. Please refer to the instructions. Failure to follow the required format as provided in the Statement of Interest/ Work Plan Instructions may result in your submittal being rejected.

Questions of a technical nature (SOW, etc.) regarding this project may be directed to:

**Jennifer Billings** 

Organization: CDOT Project Manager, Region 2

Telephone: (719) 924-8413 ext. 1020

CDOT is advertising this selection with "Optional" an Interview Phase. CDOT reserves the right to award directly from the short-list meeting, OR conduct interviews if necessary prior to final selection.

Should Interviews be required, from those firms submitting a Statement of Interest/Work Plan (SOI/WP), CDOT will short-list up to 3 (three) firms for interviews. CDOT may make the Final Selection at either meeting, with alternate firms 2 and 3 listed and submitted to CDOT Chief Engineer for final approval.

NOTE: Firms submitting a Statement of Interest/Work Plan (SOI/WP) must, in their submitted SOI/WP, expressly commit, and identify by name, key employees of their own staff, as well as of the staffs of the sub-consultants on their teams, to be available to do the Work.

## **DBE GOAL:**

The Department has determined the contract goal for DBE participation in this contract will be met with certified DBEs who have been determined to be underutilized on professional services contracts. At this time, all DBEs will be considered to be DBEs. The DBE goal for this project is: 10% (Ten Percent)

To be eligible for contract award, the prime consultant must have an Audited Indirect Cost Rate that is compliant with Federal Acquisition Requirements. (FAR Compliant)

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